

on its impact and effectiveness, after receiving testimony from Kurt Campbell, Assistant Secretary of State for East Asia and Pacific Affairs; Thant Myint-U, Institution for Southeast Asian Studies, Bangkok, Thailand; David I. Steinberg, Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, Washington, DC; and David C. Williams, Indiana University Maurer School of Law, Bloomington.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee announced the following subcommittee assignments:

Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps, and Global Narcotics Affairs: Senators Dodd (Chair), Menendez, Cardin, Webb, Gillibrand, Barrasso, Isakson, Risch, and Inhofe.

Subcommittee on African Affairs: Senators Feingold (Chair), Cardin, Webb, Kaufman, Shaheen, Isakson, DeMint, Corker, and Inhofe.

Subcommittee on International Operations and Organizations, Human Rights, Democracy, and Global Women's Issues: Senators Boxer (Chair), Feingold, Menendez, Kaufman, Shaheen, Gillibrand, Wicker, DeMint, Barrasso, and Inhofe.

Subcommittee on International Development and Foreign Assistance, Economic Affairs, and International Environmental Protection: Senators Menendez (Chair), Boxer, Cardin, Casey, Shaheen, Gillibrand, Corker, Wicker, DeMint, and Risch.

Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South and Central Asian Affairs: Senators Casey (Chair), Dodd, Feingold, Boxer, Cardin, Kaufman, Risch, Corker, Barrasso, and Isakson.

Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs: Senators Webb (Chair), Dodd, Feingold, Boxer, Casey, Gillibrand, Inhofe, Isakson, Barrasso, and Wicker.

Subcommittee on European Affairs: Senators Shaheen (Chair), Dodd, Menendez, Casey, Webb, Kaufman, DeMint, Risch, Corker, and Wicker.

UNITED STATES POLICY TOWARD ZIMBABWE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on African Affairs concluded a hearing to examine exploring United States policy options toward Zimbabwe's transition, after receiving testimony from Johnnie Carson, Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs; Earl Gast, Acting Assistant Administrator for Africa, United States Agency for International Development; Andy Baukol, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for International Affairs; Donald Steinberg, International Crisis Group, Brussels, Belgium; and Nancy Lindborg, Mercy Corps, and Todd J. Moss, Center for Global Development, both of Washington, DC

CONFRONTING TERRORIST THREATS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine confronting the terrorist threat to the homeland eight years after 9/11, after receiving testimony from Janet Napolitano, Secretary of Homeland Security; Robert S. Mueller III, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; and Mike Leiter, Director, National Counter Terrorism Center, Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE ABUSE IN MEDICAID

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security concluded a hearing to examine controlled substance abuse in Medicaid, after receiving testimony from Gregory D. Kutz, Managing Director, Forensic Audits and Special Investigations, Government Accountability Office; Penny Thompson, Deputy Director, Center for Medicaid and State Operations, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services; Joseph T. Rannazzisi, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice; and Ann Clemency Kohler, National Association of State Medicaid Directors, Baltimore, Maryland, on behalf of the American Public Human Services Association.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

An original bill entitled "Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act of 2009", with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Brenda Dann-Messier, of Rhode Island, to be Assistant Secretary for Vocational and Adult Education, and Alexa E. Posny, of Kansas, to be Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, both of the Department of Education, and George H. Cohen, of Virginia, to be Federal Mediation and Conciliation Director, Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine advancing freedom of information in the New Era of Responsibility, after receiving testimony from Thomas J. Perrelli, Associate Attorney General, Department of Justice; Miriam Nisbet, Director, Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration; Tom Curley, Associated Press, New York, New